

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION**

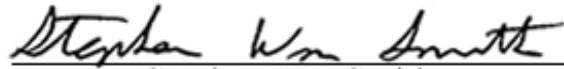
STERN, MILLER & HIGDON,	§	
<i>Plaintiff,</i>	§	
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vs.	§	CIVIL ACTION H-06-2123
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LANDRY, WATKINS, REPASKE & BREAU,	§	
L. CLAYTON BURGESS, AND	§	
CORY L. BATISTE, SR.,	§	
<i>Defendants.</i>	§	

**ORDER FOR JOINT STATUS REPORT**

Plaintiff has filed a motion to compel defendants to attend depositions and serve initial disclosures, and to overrule defendants' objections to interrogatories and document requests as untimely (Dtk. 42). Defendants have represented in response that depositions were scheduled for August 21, 2007 and initial disclosures were served August 17, 2007. Defendant's also represent that they served discovery responses and objections on June 15, 2007, three days after the Fifth Circuit rejected their petition for writ of mandamus seeking to transfer venue.

Plaintiff's motion does not contain a certificate of conference as required by Local Rule of the Southern District of District 7.1(D). The parties are ordered to file on or before September 10, 2007 a joint status report confirming that they have conferred in a good faith effort to resolve their discovery disputes, and identifying which, if any, issues raised by plaintiff's motion to compel remain for ruling by the court.

Signed at Houston, Texas on August 28, 2007.

  
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Stephen Wm Smith  
United States Magistrate Judge